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#### EXPERTISE

- Health Care Policy: Universal coverage; drug pricing; hospital consolidation; VA & FDA reform.
- Economics & Finance: Fiscal policy; macroeconomics; finance and financial regulation.
- Policy & Politics: Domestic and foreign policy & politics; presidential elections.
- Capital Markets: Biotechnology; pharmaceuticals; healthcare; broader market conditions.
- Journalism: Digital, print, and social media.

#### POLICY WORK EXPERIENCE

# The Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity, Austin, Texas

July 2016—

President and Co-Founder

- Co-founder of new think tank focused on expanding economic opportunity to those who least have it.
- Recent papers: Improving Hospital Competition: A Key to Affordable Health Care (2019); What Medicare Can Learn from Other Countries on Drug Pricing (2019); The Competition Prescription: A Market-Based Plan for Making Innovative Medicines Affordable (2017).

# Forbes Media, Jersey City, New Jersey

January 2018—

Policy Editor

- Manager & editor of all of *Forbes*' policy & politics content, including over 140 online contributors.
- Also served as a Contributor from 2010–2014, and Opinion Editor from 2014–2018.

#### Bipartisan Policy Center, Washington, D.C.

February 2017—

Senior Advisor, Working Group on Health Care Reform

• Led by former Sens. Tom Daschle (D.) and Bill Frist (R.).

National Institute of Health Care Management Foundation, Washington, D.C. Member of Board of Advisors

June 2014—

# Fixing Veterans Health Care Taskforce, Arlington, Virginia

August 2014–February 2015

Co-Chair

- Chief architect of proposal for comprehensive overhaul of veterans' health care, including private options.
- Co-authors: Former Sen. Bill Frist (R.), former Rep. Jim Marshall (D.), and Michael Kussman.

#### Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, New York, New York Senior Fellow

September 2011–June 2016

- Focus on health care policy at the Manhattan Institute's Center for Medical Progress.
- Published papers include: Health Care 2.0; Transcending Obamacare; The Medicaid Mess; Stifling New Cures.

## Rubio for President, Miami, Florida

October 2015-March 2016

• Advised Sen. Rubio on domestic policy.

#### Perry for President, Austin, Texas

April 2015–September 2015

Senior Advisor

- Managed Gov. Perry's policy operation.
- Led three major policy initiatives, including policy development, speechwriting, and op-ed writing for Gov. Perry: economic opportunity for all Americans; reforming Wall Street; and defeating Islamic jihad.
- Speechwriter for remarks on black poverty; the Wall Street Journal: "the speech of the campaign so far."

## Romney for President, Boston, Massachusetts

March 2012-November 2012

Member, Health Care Policy Advisory Group

- Helped formulate Gov. Romney's plan for repealing & replacing Obamacare.
- Advised the campaign on other health care-related matters, including Medicare & Medicaid reform.
- Member of Health & Human Services transition team (Romney Readiness Project).

**BUSINESS WORK** EXPERIENCE

Roy Healthcare Research, New York, New York

Managing Partner

Monness, Crespi, Hardt & Co., New York, New York

April 2009-January 2012

Healthcare Equity Research

Mymensingh Partners, New York, New York

January 2008-April 2009

January 2012—

Managing Partner

J.P. Morgan Securities, New York, New York

July 2005-December 2007

Vice President, Proprietary Equities

Hamilton Investment Management, New York, New York

Portfolio Manager

May 2004–March 2005

Bain Capital, Boston, Massachusetts

Associate

March 2001-May 2004

CSC Healthcare, New York, New York

Associate

August 2000-December 2000

**EDUCATION** 

#### Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut

Fall 1993-Spring 2000

- Thesis: "Case Studies of Strategic Risk Factors in Academic Medical Center Consolidations."
- Received Honors in 50% of clinical clerkships.

#### Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Fall 1990-Spring 1993

- S.B. degree in Course VII (Molecular Biology) with humanities concentration in French Language.
- Founder and Publisher of Counterpoint, a student magazine.
- Received 1992 JM Foundation Award (for "best new collegiate publication in the United States").
- 1993 William L. Stewart Jr. Prize (for "significant contribution to extracurricular life" at MIT).
- Member, Sigma Xi (scientific honor society).
- State Finalist, 1992 Rhodes Scholarships.
- 1991 Tau Beta Pi / Amoco Award (given to the "most outstanding freshman at MIT").

# OTHER

#### **Books**

- Transcending Obamacare: A Patient-Centered Plan for Near-Universal Coverage and Permanent Fiscal Solvency. Second Edition. The Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity, 2016.
- How Medicaid Fails the Poor. Encounter Books, 2013.

#### Websites

- Cable news appearances: Over 200 appearances reviewable at youtube.com/avikroy.
- Forbes: Over 500 articles and blog entries on healthcare, fiscal, and tax policy.
- National Review: Over 250 articles and blog entries on policy and politics.
- FREOPP.org: Website for the Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity.
- Numerous publications at other online outlets.

## Selected Network Television Appearances

- "NewsHour" (PBS), 10/12/17: Trump's executive order for U.S. health insurance markets.
- "NewsHour" (PBS), 7/17/17: The Senate GOP's health care plan.
- "Face the Nation" (CBS), 3/12/17: The House GOP's health care plan.
- "Meet the Press" (NBC), 11/16/14: Obamacare's rising hospital costs.
- "CBS This Morning" (CBS), 11/13/14: Jonathan Gruber's "stupidity of the American voter" remarks.
- "NewsHour" (PBS), 5/15/14: Ex-convicts benefiting from Obamacare.
- "Meet the Press" (NBC), 3/30/14: Obamacare after year one of open enrollment.
- "NewsHour" (PBS), 11/28/13: Obamacare and the social contract in America.
- "NewsHour" (PBS), 7/18/13: Debate with Jonathan Gruber on Obamacare's rising premiums.

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# OTHER INFORMATION (CONT'D)

#### **Selected Print Publications**

- "Republicans Can't Avoid Obamacare in 2018," Wall Street Journal, 1/2/18.
- "Cassidy-Graham Is Attractive In Theory, But Has A Giant Flaw," Washington Post, 9/20/17.
- "Republicans Have A Chance To Eliminate The Individual Mandate," Washington Post, 7/26/17.
- "The Senate Saves the 10th Amendment," Wall Street Journal, 7/26/17.
- "The Senate's Secretly Bipartisan Health Bill," New York Times, 6/26/17.
- "The G.O.P. Health Care Bill Is Fixable," New York Times, 5/31/17.
- "Medicaid Is Free. So Why Does It Require a Mandate?" Wall Street Journal, 3/14/17.
- "GOP Hard-Liners' Obamacare Incoherence," Washington Post, 3/9/17.
- "Veterans Should Enjoy the Same Health Care Options as All Americans," New York Times, 6/28/16.
- "The Right Way to Reform Wall Street," Forbes, 9/28/15.
- "Health Independence for Veterans," National Affairs, Spring 2015.
- "Congress's Budget Office Needs Better Numbers," Wall Street Journal, 12/1/14.
- "An Arm and a Leg," National Review, 8/5/13.
- "The Conservative Case for Universal Coverage," Washington Examiner, 1/17/14.
- "Individual Mandate Masks an Ugly Deal," USA Today, 3/28/12.
- "Saving Medicare from Itself," National Affairs, Summer 2011.
- "Give States More Freedom," USA Today, 5/12/11.
- "Will Health Costs Bankrupt America?" Forbes, 3/14/11.
- "You Think Health Care is Pricey Now?" National Review, 4/19/10.
- "Health Care and the Profit Motive," National Affairs, Spring 2010.

# **Congressional Testimony**

- Texas v. U.S.: Its Impacts on Americans with Pre-Existing Conditions. House Energy & Commerce, 2/6/19.
- Examining the Actions of Drug Companies. House Oversight & Reform, 1/29/19.
- *Health Care: Issues Impacting Cost and Coverage*. Senate Finance, 9/12/17.
- Strengthening Medicaid and Prioritizing the Most Vulnerable. House Energy & Commerce, 2/1/17.
- Health Care Solutions: Increasing Patient Choice & Plan Innovation. House Energy & Commerce, 5/11/16.
- The Tax Treatment of Health Care. House Ways & Means, 4/14/16.
- Health Insurance CO-OPs: Examining ACA's \$2 Billion Gamble. House Oversight & Gov't Reform, 2/5/14.
- ACA's Impact on Premiums & Provider Networks. House Oversight & Government Reform, 12/12/13.
- ACA Implementation Problems: More Than Just a Broken Website. House Energy & Commerce, 11/14/13.
- Delaying the ACA Employer Mandate. House Ways & Means, 7/10/13.
- IPAB: The Controversial Consequences for Medicare and Seniors. House Energy & Commerce, 7/11/11.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- 1st Team Member, 1990 *USA Today* All-USA Academic Team (awarded to the top 20 high school students in the United States). First Texan ever named to an All-USA 1st Team.
- 1st Place Grand Award, 1989 International Science and Engineering Fair.
- Born and raised in Rochester Hills, MI and San Antonio, TX.